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# SYSTENA BIMARGINATA SMITH, NEW NAME, TO REPLACE SYSTENA PLICATA BLAKE (COLEOPTERA: CHRYSOMELIDAE, ALTICINAE)

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## Systena bimarginata Smith, new name

Systena plicata Blake 1959:246.

Type-locality: Sierra del Cristal, Oriente Province, Cuba. Type-location: U. S. National Museum, Type No. 64664.

Remarks: name preoccupied by Systena plicata Blatchley 1921:26 (type-locality: near Half-Moon Pond, Posey Co., Indiana; type-location: Purdue Univ.,

W. Lafayette, Indiana).

Blake (1959:246) described a new species of Systena from Cuba as S. plicata. However, this name was preoccupied by S. plicata Blatchley (1921:26), a species of flea beetle found in the eastern U. S. Blake's name is therefore a junior homonym and, according to Articles 53 and 60 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature, must be replaced.

I first discovered this problem while revising Systena (Smith 1970) and talked to Mrs. Blake about it. She suggested that I propose a replacement name. Therefore,

I propose the name S. bimarginata Smith to replace S. plicata Blake.

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